

**MINUTES OF THE
Georgia State Board of Examiners for Speech-Language
Pathology and Audiology
February 14, 2005**

The Georgia State Board of Examiners for Speech-Language Pathology and Audiology met Monday, February 14, 2005 at 237 Coliseum Drive, Macon, Georgia. The Board meeting was called to order with the following members present:

MEMBERS PRESENT

Albert R. De Chicchis, Ph.D., Chair
Kaye Williams Hill
Yvonne McNeil
Winn Hill, Vice Chair

MEMBERS ABSENT

Alan B. Whitehouse, M.D.

STAFF PRESENT

Janet Wray, Senior Assistant Attorney General
Lee Tracy, Executive Director
Beverly Cobb, Applications Specialist
Adrian Whitehead, Board Secretary

CALL TO ORDER –Chairman De Chicchis established that a quorum was present and the meeting was called to order at 8:50a.m.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Motion, K. Hill, seconded, A. De Chicchis, and the Board voted to enter into **Executive Session** in accordance with O.C.G.A. 43-1-2(k) and 43-1-19(h) to deliberate on applications and investigations. Voting in favor of the motion were W. Hill, McNeil, and A. De Chicchis. The Board **concluded Executive Session** in order to vote on these matters and to continue with the public session.

OPEN SESSION

COGNIZANT REPORT

SLPA050019 Close case with Letter of Concern to Applicant.

SLPA040011 Close case.

SLPA040017 Close case.

SLPA050022 Refer to Enforcement.

D.W. Issue a Private Consent Order.

Motion K. Hill, seconded W. Hill and motion carried to accept the recommendations and report of the Cognizant.

INVESTIGATIVE COMMITTEE REPORT

SLPA050019 Investigative File was presented to the Board. The Board voted to close the case with a Letter of Concern to the Supervisor.

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Ms. Lee Tracy advised the Board that online renewal for the current biennium is now available. Ms. Lee Tracy also advised the Board of the rules and that have been posted and that are scheduled for adoption during the next board meeting.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS

The Board elected to maintain the current officers for one calendar year.

MISCELLANEOUS

The Board discussed the need to define “educational institution” and “hearing testing” in the Speech-Language Pathology and Audiology rules for future references.

The Board requested that Board Staff require that five percent (5%) of Speech Aides submit documentation of supervision from their supervisor during the renewal process for the purpose of auditing.

The Board discussed in detail the requirement for licensure of University Employees that are certified by the Department of Education or the Professional Standards Commission as related to O.C.G.A. 43-44-7(b)(1). The Board has found that licensure is required of University Employees as the Department of Education and Professional Standards Commission defines educational institution as grades (p-12) pre-kindergarten through twelfth grades.

Winn Hill, Vice Chair, will review and draft language changes to Rule 609-6-.01 Speech Aides for presentation during the next Board Meeting.

Beverly Cobb, Applications Specialist, will review and draft changes to Application Forms for presentation during the next Board Meeting.

MINUTES

Motion McNeil, seconded W. Hill and motion carried to approve the minutes of the January 10, 2005 meeting as amended.

RULES REVISIONS

Albert R. DeChicchis, Board Chairman, presented the following Rule for Posting and the Board voted that the formulation and adoption of this rule does not impose excessive regulatory cost on any licensee, and any cost to comply with the proposed rule cannot be reduced by a less expensive alternative that fully accomplishes the objectives of the statutory provisions. The formulation and adoption of this rule will impact every licensee

in the same manner and each licensee is independently licensed, owned, and operated and dominant in the field of Speech-Language Pathology and Audiology.

Rule 609-6-.01(b)(2)(iii) Board Receipt of Verification. - A. De Chicchis made a motion to approve for posting. Winn Hill seconded the motion. The motion carried with De Chicchis, W. Hill, K. Hill, and McNeil voting in favor of posting the proposed rule change.

APPLICATIONS

Motion K. Hill, seconded W. Hill, and motion carried, to accept the recommendations on applications.

ASHA

Paula Forrester	Approved
Claudia Parra-Emma	Approved

PCE/EXAM

Elizabeth Bahr	Approved
Amber Blanton	Approved
Dedra Bradham	Approved
Sharon Cann	Approved
Allison Crenshaw	Approved
Summer Davis	Approved
Tammy Easterwood	Approved
Johanna Griswold	Approved
Sandra Jeffcoat	Approved
Mandi Langinais	Approved
April McRae	Approved
Jennifer Mirick	Approved
Beverly Page	Approved
Nikki Riley	Approved
Erika Robinson	Approved
Arisa Stewart	Approved
Kara Storck	Approved
Martha Van Dam	Approved
Fyrn Wettstein	Approved
Whitney Williams	Approved
Erica Wilson	Pending
Melody Young	Approved

REINSTATEMENT

Alicia Kleckner	Pending
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ENDORSEMENT

Erica Huff	Approved
Tobi Issaacs	Approved
Micheline May	Approved

Alyssa Needleman	Approved
Tanya Thompson	Approved

CEU

Health Ed	Approved
Beltone	Denied

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, motion W. Hill, seconded McNeil and motion carried to adjourn the meeting at 3:34 p.m.

Winn W. Hill, Vice Chair
GEORGIA STATE BOARD OF
EXAMINERS FOR SPEECH-
LANGUAGE PATHOLOGY
AND AUDIOLOGY

Mollie L. Fleeman, Division Director
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